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**In Re Application of:**

GERMAIN PAUL BISSON et al.

**Serial No.:** 09/728,970

**Group No.:** 2631

**Filing Date:** DECEMBER 4, 2000

**Examiner:** N/A

**For:** FLEXIBLE MULTIPLEXER/DEMULTIPLEXER AND METHOD FOR  
TRANSPORT OF OPTICAL LINE DATA TO A WIDE/METRO AREA LINK

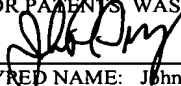
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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION AND  
REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

In response to the "Notice to File Missing Parts of Application--Filing Date Granted"  
dated **FEBRUARY 20, 2001**, a response to which is due **MAY 20, 2001**, enclosed herewith for  
filing is:

- X The original Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney, executed by the inventor(s). An unexecuted copy of this document, attached to the above-identified specification, was filed by Express Mail No. **EL659804446US** on **DECEMBER 4, 2000**.
- X An Associate Power of Attorney is also enclosed.
- X Basic Filing Fee of **\$65.00** is enclosed together with the **\$695.00** surcharge.

- ☐ Request for Corrected Filing Receipt.
- X Applicant(s) has previously claimed small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27.
- ☐ Applicant(s) by its/their undersigned attorney, claims small entity status under 37 CFR §1.27 as:
- ☐ an Independent Inventor
- ☐ a Small Business Concern
- ☐ a Nonprofit Organization
- x Request is hereby made under 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the time for response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application of **FEBRUARY 20, 2001** to and through **AUGUST 20, 2001**, comprising an extension of the shortened period of **FOUR (4)** months:

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MISSING PARTS SURCHARGE	\$65	\$65	\$130	\$
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Applicant(s) has/have not been notified that the requested extension will not be permitted. The present application is not involved in an interference declared pursuant to 37 CFR 1.207.

Total fee required **\$760.00**

- X A check in the amount of **\$760.00** is attached to cover the surcharge. Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3050.
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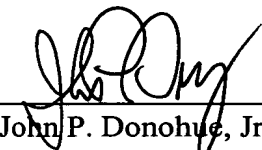
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- ☒ Any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 including fees for presentation of extra claims.
- ☒ Any additional patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17 and under 37 CFR 1.20(d).
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees during the pendency of this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-3050. This sheet is attached in duplicate.
  - ☒ Any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR 1.17 and under 37 CFR 1.20(d).
  - ☐ The issue fee set in 37 CFR 1.18 at or before mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.311(b).
  - ☒ Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 including fees for presentation of extra claims.

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